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## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shoji HAYAKAWA, et al.

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 10, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on May 10, 2004. This response is filed concurrently with a Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time, extending the response period to July 10, 2004, which, since a Saturday, renders this response timely filed as of July 12, 2004, since the intervening dates of July 10 and 11 were a Saturday and a Sunday, respectively, and July 12, 2004 was the next business day.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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